Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 20 Sep 2024 until 23:59 on Saturday 21 Sep 2024

Forecast Issued on Friday 20 Sep 2024 at 01:13

Confidence: High for main synoptic situation and trend to more unsettled weather, however moderate for timing and exact location of heavy, thundery showers during Friday and Saturday afternoon.

Headline for Friday 20 Sep 2024: Low cloud clearing to bring sunny spells and risk of heavy, thundery showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 20 Sep 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Medium Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Medium Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Thundery showers	Thundery showers	Thundery showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
10%	10%	10%	70%	50%	30%

Forecast for Friday 20 Sep 2024

Weather: A cloudy start in the east with hill fog and some patchy drizzle on summits. Clearer further west but with some mist and fog lingering in the valleys. Bright spells developing by late-morning, however showers are expected to arrive from the east soon after. Showers are expected to be heavy at times, and bring a risk of hail and thunder through the afternoon. Whilst some regions of the park may remain dry, where thundery showers do occur, they will bring frequent lightning, gusty winds, potentially some large hail, as well as brief spells of heavy rain.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 30% rising to 70% by the afternoon, around 80% in the west throughout.

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud bases of around 400m in the east at first with poor visibility beneath the cloud and in any mist or fog patches elsewhere. Cloud gradually lifting to be above the summits by midday, however bases will temporarily lower to around 500m in the afternoon amongst heavy showers shrouding tops and higher routes for up to an hour at a time. Visibility moderate to poor in showers. Otherwise, generally excellent visibility and air clarity.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	20/25 NE	18/24 NE	18/24 NE	15/21 NE	14/20 NE	16/22 NE	16/22 NE
300	11/22 NE	11/20 NE	12/22 NE	10/19 NE	6/16 NE	8/18 NE	10/20 NE
Valley	9/19 NE	10/20 NE	11/22 NE	9/18 NE	6/16 NE	7/19 E	9/20 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	10/6	10/7	12/9	14/12	13/10	12/9	11/8
300	11/9	12/10	15/13	17/16	14/14	13/12	13/11
Valley	12/10	13/12	16/14	18/17	15/15	14/13	14/12
Freezing Level*	2200m	2200m	2300m	2400m	2400m	2300m	2400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Alongside the risk of thundery downpours during Friday and Saturday, it is advised not to take shelter under or near trees which may be struck by lightning, and if you are upon hills, try to move to lower ground.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
02:00 on Fri 20 Sep 2024	0mm	0mm	0.2mm

Forecast for Saturday 21 Sep 2024

Weather: Cloudy to start with widespread low cloud, hill fog and possibly some patchy drizzle upon summits. Some bright spells developing by midday with a risk of further showers, these possibly heavy and thundery. Whilst some regions of the park will remain dry, where thundery showers do occur, they will bring frequent lightning, gusty winds, potentially some large hail, as well as brief spells of heavy rain. Further rain arriving overnight.

Maximum wind: East to northeasterly 20-25 mph, gusting 30-40 mph. Strongest gusts in heavy showers.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 30% rising to 60% by the afternoon. 80% in the far west.

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud bases of around 400m with hill fog through the morning, clearer skies in the west of the park. Cloud gradually lifting to be above the summits by midday. Chance that bases will temporarily dip to 400-500m in the afternoon near heavy showers. Poor visibility during morning fog and amongst any heavy, thundery afternoon showers. Otherwise, generally excellent visibility and air clarity.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 12 Celsius rising to plus 20 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 9 Celsius, rising to plus 12 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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